

Assembly Bill No. 2565

CHAPTER 763

An act to add and repeal Section 13998.5a of the Government Code, relating to military base retention, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2565, Parra. Economic development.

Existing law establishes the California Defense Retention and Conversion Council in the Department of Housing and Community Development with specified members and duties related to defense retention and conversion and military base reuse activities in the state. The council is authorized to apply for grants and seek contributions from private industry to fund its operations and is required to actively solicit private funds for specified purposes.

AB 926 would, until January 1, 2007, establish the Office of Military and Aerospace Support in the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency and require the office to recommend a specified plan for defense retention and conversion efforts.

This bill would require additional specified information to be included within that plan and require the plan to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature by November 30, 2004.

This bill would become operative only if SB 926 of the 2003–04 Regular Session is chaptered and becomes operative.

The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 13998.5a is added to the Government Code, to read:

13998.5a. (a) The updated plan as provided in subdivision (e) of Section 13998.5 shall include identification of whether other military installations or missions located in other states could be recruited to California.

(b) The office shall submit to the Governor and the Legislature an updated strategic plan pursuant to Section 13998.5 specific to the federal BRAC 2005 process by November 30, 2004.

SEC. 2. This act shall become operative if Senate Bill 926 of the 2003–04 Regular Session is chaptered and becomes operative.

SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to provide immediate assistance to local communities that are involved with base closure or realignment efforts, and to ensure that the Legislature and the Governor receive the plan required by this bill on a timely basis, so that actions can be taken to assess the status of California's defense installations in advance of the next round of federal base closures scheduled for 2005, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.

